

KALAMAZOO BICYCLE CLUB NEWSLETTER MARCH 1977

MEETINGS:

EXECUTIVE Committee: March 17th 7pm. Caruso's; 2301 Fairfield Ave. 381-0135.

MARCH 21 GENERAL MEETING. will feature a presentation, with slides by Terry Eldred, who's coordinating development of the KAL-HAVEN TRAIL for the state. Here's your opportunity to raise questions, to state concerns, to offer opinions. Since Mr. Eldred's presentation will follow the business meeting, The business meeting will begin (uncharacteristically) at 7:00pm promptly. Invite your interested friends.

Classroom section Kalamazoo College Library.
FOUR LAKES CENTURY COMMITTEE: March 23. Posters, prizes, work schedules on the agenda. Caruso's; 2301 Fairfield. 381-0135.

RIDE SCHEDULE

STANDING SATURDAY RIDE: (weather permitting & unless replaced) 9:30 am; Oshtemo Harding's; distance, terrain, and time arranged by those riding. Joel Dinda, 349-3094.

STANDING SUNDAY RIDE FOR HARD RIDERS: Noon, Bronson Park more or less flat, Pat Florian sees these as training rides for racer's and other hard riders.

SATURDAY MARCH 12: MARCH MADNESS \$1.50, 10:30 am from KVCC: LAW sanctioned half cent ry. Hills and high winds. Joel Dinda 349-3094.

SATURDAY MARCH 19 ST. PATRICK'S DAY RIDE: 1:00 pm, Cork Lane Shopping Center: if weather is good to Climax and back: weather bad, shorter ride. LAW ST. Patrick's Day patches \$1.00. Pat Florian.

FRIDAY APRIL 1: APRIL FOOLISHNESS: 8 pm. Ramona Park (Sprinkle Road & Long Lake in Portage). Flat, 10-12 miles. Let's celebrate the arrival of the new riding season by circumnavigating Long Lake. Lights and reflectors. Invite your friends. Joel Dinda 381-0135.

OUT OF TOWN: March 20: Celebrate the Equinox; Toledo/ April 3; Opening Elk Grove Bike Route; Elk Grove Illage, Ill./ April 23; Impression 5 Museum Bike-a thone Lansing/ April 23-24 Tour Collingwood; Orangeville Ont./ Spring Tour; Aurora Ill./ RIOT (Rural Illinois Observation Tour) Centralia Ill/ April 24 Union Express; Elgin ill./ April 24 FAST-R(First Annual pring Tandem Rally) Lansing. Joel has more information on all these. 381-0135.

KALAMAZOO BICYCLE CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM 1977

Membership entitles person to newsletter by mail, distinctive club patch, membership card, map and reduced entry fees at specified club sponsored events. KBC meets the third Monday of each month at 7 pm in the classroom section of the Kalamazoo College Library, northwest corner of Academy and Thompson streets.

DUES: Check one: _____ Young adult \$2.00 (under 15)
_____ Adult (over 15) \$3.00
_____ Family (all members of a household) \$5.00

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ AGE _____ BIRTHDATE _____ SEX _____

NAMES AND AGES OF OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS IF FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

OTHER MEMBERSHIPS: USCF _____ LAW _____ AYH _____ OTHER _____

SIGNATURE _____ PARENT _____
(if under 18)

Make checks payable to Kalamazoo Bicycle Club and mail to
KBC/ PO BOX 527? Kalamazoo Mi 49005.

MEETING SUMMARY:

Treasurer reported \$138.40 in assets and \$136.32 in debts; plus dues received since Feb. 20.

Joel's letter to other clubs and State Reps of LAW USCF AYH about a state convention and bike rally has elicited positive responses but nothing firm yet. Some people are trying to put one together but no details yet.

CURRENT COMMITTEES AND CHAIR:

Road Captain (vacant)

Racing captain Ken Nowakowski 327-2353

Four Lakes Bicycle Tour Jini Caruso 381-0135

From Hell to Paradise (1978 major tour) Debbie Dinda 349-3094

Fall Century Doug Steel 383-9676

Facilities & Legislation Joel Dinda 349-3094 seeking a replacement

Bike-a thons/ conflict reduction Guy Dinehy 665-9715

SPRING Valley Road Series III Joel Dinda 349-3094.

It was agreed that every club mile ridden will be credited toward the RIDE MILEAGE CERTIFICATE regardless of date. The RIDE LEADERSHIP APPRECIATION Formula proposed by Joel (February newsletter) was approved.

ON CLUB JERSEYS: Three more firms have sent us literature. Two of these, John F. Kucharik and Jones Cycle Wear, offer reasonable prices without a minimum order. Those of us who have expressed interest will be getting together some time before the March meeting to agree on a design and to place an order. If you wish to join us, call Jini (381-0135) before March Madness (the 12th).

RACE REPORT: The park is reserved for our races until 3:00pm on the day of the races. No rain date. Prize list totals \$600. RACE OFFICIALS STILL NEEDED. A WORKSHOP for beginners and others interested will be staged by Ken Nowakowski, details in the attached (for members How to get Started flyer). April Kalamazoo Review will have an article on the Races.

FOUR LAKES REPORT: Fees \$2.50 adults, \$2.00 students, seniors, KBC members. Concession stand will be open in the beachhouse. Committee is looking for help: workers for the check-in point (2 hours) and sag wagon drivers (2-4 hours). Call Jini Caruso 381-0135 to volunteer.

CAMPING EXPEDITIONS Is set for July 2-3; to Saugatuck and back. Gary Keene estimates food cost at \$10 per person. Details next month.

DUES CHANGE EFFECTIVE May 1, 1977. The amendment passed. Delete from Article III "The membership year shall end on December 31"

REPLACE ARTICLE IV with:

" Kalamazoo Bicycle Club dues shall be:

adult \$5.00

Family \$6.00

Youth (17 or younger) \$2.50

senior (60 or older) \$2.50

"The membership year shall end on December 31. Dues are payable annually, on or before the expiration of the membership to the club treasurer.

"Memberships purchased after September 1 shall be for the following calendar year. Dues for memberships during this period shall be established by the Executive Board."

The Executive Board proposed and the meeting concurred that the treasurer be empowered to accept DONATIONS to the club for projects or general purposes. Such donations would be received as such for tax records.

EFFECTIVE CYCLING EDUCATION CLASS:

The portage parks class will meet either at Amberley School (my preference) or the Portage Library. First Meeting will be May 14; there will be eleven sessions. Registration will be handled by Portage.

I NEED:

- 1) TOOLS, especially freewheel removers.
- 2) Bicycle components. Especially hubs (worn will do), Pedals, Derailleurs; Bent rims. Anything you plan to abandon. (I'll print a full list next month.)
- 3) SWEEP RIDERS. I've two and need nine more. A shepherd: The class mostly takes place on the road. Someone has to be last in the group. Last person oughtn't be a student. It can't be the instructor. Call 349-3094 to volunteer.

There is, apparently, no demand among KBC members for the class. Members who are interested, but who've neglected to get in touch have until March Madness to call,

JOEL.

OUR RECORDS ARE IN LESS THAN PERFECT CONDITIONS!!

All members with KBC records/ paperwork -- relating to racing, centuries, or whatever -- are asked to get touch with either Jini (384-0135) or Joel (349-3094) to arrange that one of us pick them up. Lately we've been attempting to run down some information, and have been astonished at how sidely we've dispersed records. We'd like to centralize things a bit.

Similarly we'd be grateful to hear from any member who has a complete (or nearly complete) collection of KBC newsletters. We don't wish to relieve you of them, but we'd like to copy any we lack. There are obvious gaps in the club's files.

The riding season is coming. Think about where you'd like to ride this year. The April Ride Schedule is the first of seven full month of riding for the club. Someone will be calling you about rides.